

Remarks

The above amendatory action is taken solely for the purpose of avoiding claim fees that would otherwise accrue due to the presence of multiple dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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4. (Amended) The method of [any one of Claims 1 to 4] claim 1 wherein said sheet is formed of natural of synthetic rubber, latex, silicone or elastic foil.
5. (Amended) The method of [any one of Claims 1 to 4] claim 1 wherein said sheet is of a domed configuration prior to defamation.
6. (Amended) The method of [any one of Claims 1 to 4] claim 1 wherein said sheet is flat prior to elastic defamation.
7. (Amended) The method of [any one of Claims 1 to 6] claim 1 wherein said sheet is maintained at a spaced location relative to the shell prior to elastic defamation, and is subsequently moved towards said shell to cause initial elastic defamation of the sheet prior to applying said pressure differential.
9. (Amended) A mouthguard formed by the method of [any one of the previous claims] claim 1.